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Alcohol Awareness... A WEEK OF OPTIONS!

Alternatives

By Darrah McHenry

Alcohol Awareness...What do those two words mean to you? Do they mean:

- That you are totally aware of when you're drunk?
- That you want to drink all you can to be more aware of alcohol?
- That you are aware of alcohol so you drink as much as possible?
- That you throw a keg party to give your friends the awareness of alcohol that you have?

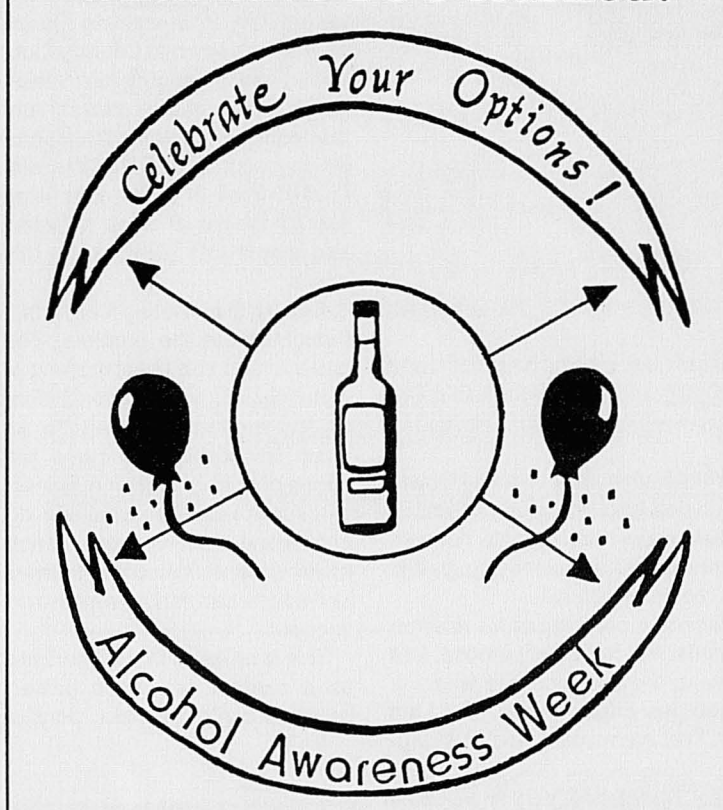
These are all very clever and funny answers, but have you ever really given the matter much thought? Of course we are all aware of alcohol, that's almost a redundant question. The question we should be asking is are we aware of our options and alternatives? Jog your memory a bit. Go back to the time when you took your first drink...did you really want it or was it the cool thing to do? Go back to your last head wrenching hang over...was it

worth it? Some of us can even go back to a violent time, a crisis, or to a death caused directly from alcohol...don't we wish we had known our options then?

Alcohol can bring about relaxation and fun, it can also bring about pain, crises, and death. Every controversial subject has two sides. The reasoning behind Avila College's Awareness Week was to show you the flip side. The side that says that it is okay to turn down a drink, to be educated about alcohol instead of being ignorant to it.

Alcohol Awareness Week wasn't everyone's first priority, but we should all give it some serious thought. Attendance was fairly low at all the functions during the week. This doesn't give a positive look toward Avila College, much less on the individuals that attend it. Whether you drink or not was not the question dealt with during Alcohol Awareness Week, the question was do you know what your options are? If you do, you have the right to use them. Please do.

What have YOU learned?



"Thinkin about Drinkin"

By Darrah McHenry

"And now we want to welcome you to 'Thinkin about Drinkin', the first question we have for our contestants is..." These words should sound familiar to anyone who'd been in the cafeteria around the noon hour. The game show "Thinkin about Drinkin" has been one of the biggest hits of Alcohol Awareness week at Avila.

"Thinkin about Drinkin" kicked off Tuesday at noon with Jeff (Boody) Kraus as the Emcee. Round one contestants consisted of Government Studs, Advancement Angels, and Clean & Sober. The Government Studs pulled ahead at the last minute and won round one. Round two contestants were, The Real Sport, Avila's Pride & Joy, and the VP's. The Real Sport pulled the number one spot in this round. Emceed by Rick Truman, Wednesday's round had three new teams of contestants; the Grouchos, Red Eyed Bandits and RATS. The Grouchos dominated here and were Wednesday's winners. Due to an error in the questioning "Thinkin about Drinkin" had a rematch Wednesday also. Clean & Sober went up against Avila's Pride & Joy. Avila's Pride & Joy came out in the lead. Thursday brought us to the semi-finals and then on to the finals. All winners were in the semi-finals and in the finals the Government Studs went ahead to head with the Grouchos. Grouchos ended up with the head-ache and the Government Studs had the title.

Prizes were furnished to all eligible contestants. First prize was three jars of peanuts and three six packs of non-alcoholic beer. Second prize was a bog of Guy's Potato Chips and one six pack of non-alcoholic beer. All other contestants were given one dollar gift certificates to Pee-Wee's Sandwich Shop.

All those involved, contestants and on-lookers learned about the effects of alcohol and some facts about the drug also. "Thinkin about Drinkin" was sponsored by S.U.B. and was considered a success by all.

Sisters open to all

By LeAnne Alexander

"The students asked us at registration time if we were having our open house this year," stated Sr. Siena Marie Miget. Therefore, Sunday, October 16, the sisters opened their homes to the campus. As students and faculty filled Foyle Hall, the sisters served cookies, punch, and gave tours of their house.

This event began a few years ago when the Sisters decided it would be a nice way for them to break the ice with the students and allow everyone to get to know each other better. It was successful and enjoyable for all. Last year, everyone's schedule was so hectic, the open house was bypassed. Due to students inquiries and interest, the sisters felt they wanted to continue the tradition and open their house to the campus again this year.

It's an event which is greatly enjoyed by everyone which was evident as students sat, talked, and relaxed with one another and the sisters. We hope it will continue in the years to follow and develop into a long-lasting tradition.

Scholarship Announced

Announcement of the Art Guild/Avila Endowed Scholarship was made by Kay Ludecke, president of the Art Guild. The recently established scholarship will be awarded annually beginning fall, 1989, to a qualified art major. The Art Guild/Avila was founded in 1985 to support, promote and assist the Art Department of Avila College and Thornhill Gallery of Avila, and to encourage further involvement in the arts of its individual members. Membership is open to Avila alumni, faculty members, and those interested in the arts and Avila College.

Avila Professor receives national recognition

Dr. L. George Smith, Professor of Business and Director of the Master of Business Administration program at Avila College, was one of four persons to receive the Wayne A. Lemburg Award for Distinguished Service to the American Marketing Association. Other recipients were Alden Clayton, Boston; George H. Brown, Sea Island, Georgia; and Lorraine Caliendo of the Chicago headquarters office.

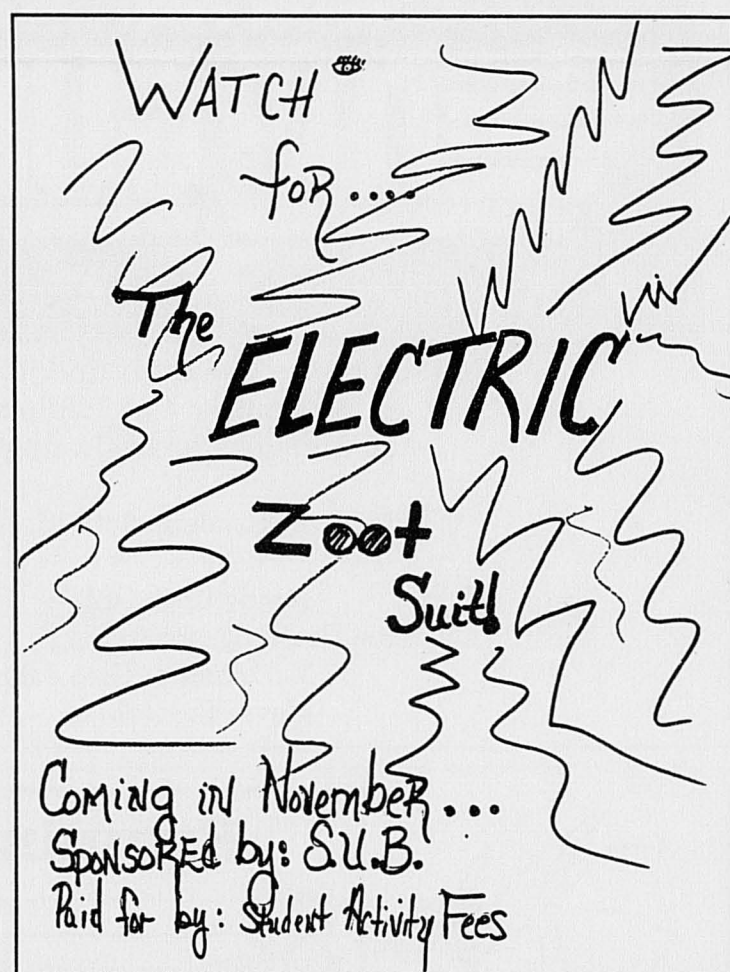
In presenting the award this month in Chicago, a director of the international organization cited in particular Dr. Smith's ability to draw together persons from academia and the business community to work on professional projects.

During his 30-year membership in AMA, Professor Smith has been active in chapters in Kansas City, Los Angeles, Chicago, and Phoenix.

He served as president of the local professional chapter during the 1980-81 program year and previously served as vice president, treasurer, and secretary. He is now serving for the eighth consecutive year on the Board of Directors.

He founded the Avila College collegiate chapter in 1979 and served as its faculty sponsor during the early years of its existence. During the early years of his teaching career he sponsored the collegiate chapter at Arizona State University concurrently with serving as an officer in the Phoenix professional chapter.

His many other professional contributions include editorship of the proceedings of the 1964 national winter conference of AMA published under the title "Reflections on Progress in Marketing."



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Letter to the Editor



Dear Madame,

As a member of a relatively rare species of humans who have both read Kazantzakis' The Last Temptation of Christ and seen Scorsese's film version, I feel obligated to offer a few comments on Fr. Mike's critique of the film.

I find both the book and the film to be challenging and consoling for two reasons. First of all, Jesus is portrayed as one who struggles to discover what God wants of him. In a world where individuals grapple not with God's will, but with what they must do to make themselves happy, it is challenging to see someone who goes "counter culture".

Secondly, even when Jesus has an obscure certainty of his mission and destiny, he must wrestle now with himself to fulfill that purpose. In a culture where values seen quite relative to the occasion and where a struggle to uphold convictions seems strangely anachronistic, "The Last Temptation" says "not everything goes". This is consoling and challenging.

In my opinion, both versions of "The Last Temptation" portray Jesus as a person of strength and courage, yet one willing to seek comfort and consolation from those who love him and whom he loves.

At a time when we find it difficult to describe what being human means, the profundity of God seems murkier than ever. If we are to penetrate that obscurity, we must start with Christ's humanity which sacramentalizes God to us. We forget that while the Council of Chalcedon in 451 reconciled Christ's humanity and divinity to the general satisfaction of the fifth century mind, we are fifteen centuries removed from that event. In thought, feeling and language suited to our era, today we grope for the same reconciliation. "The Last Temptation" has helped me with that task.

Yours sincerely,
H. Paul Le Maire, Ph.D.

Justice and Janitors

By Tim Barchak

In the upcoming weeks, Kansas City will witness the appearance of pickets at several commercial buildings. The pickets will be placed at these sights by the Service Employees International Union (SEIU) to protest the unfair wages for janitors in the area. The SEIU is not asking that everyone join the union. They merely want employers to pay a just wage, regardless of the union status of workers.

Several years ago, most commercial buildings stopped hiring their own cleaning crews. The building managers sub-contracted the work out. The sub-contractors were pressed for lower and lower rates until a condition of substandard wages resulted for the janitors.

Today, janitors labor in the steel and glass behemoths of the city for little compensation. The average landlord pays only about four cents per square foot, monthly for the labor of his janitors. This amounts to wages ranging from the minimum wage of \$3.35 per hour, to the union scale of \$4.85 per hour. With the cost of living being what it is, these workers are obviously living in misery.

Ultimately, the government ends up subsidizing the wages of the janitors through welfare and food stamp programs. In other

words, the tax payer pays the wages the wealthy landlords refuse to pay. The tax payer also pays for the crime and drug abuse which comes from the despair of poverty. This is an example of allowing a cancer to exist in society and discovering one's own soul is being devoured by it.

The Avila community can help the janitors in several ways. First, the Avila family can be supportive of the community outreach program, Justice for Janitors, which deals with the issue. Second, as individuals, they can refuse to patronize those buildings that will be picketed for the unjust wages. Finally, and most importantly, the Avila community can keep an open mind towards organized labor. If the right to private property is to remain inalienable, then so must the right to collective bargaining remain inalienable.

Is it really so much to ask that those who perform manual labor, by choice or chance, should be able to live with some dignity? Must those who carry briefcases always conflict with those who carry lunch boxes? Are we not all bound together, by bonds of birth and blood and breath, until, finally, with breath no more—we meet One who was also poor?

EDITORIAL COMMENT

By LeAnne Alexander

Alcohol Awareness week was observed on October 17 through October 21 at the Avila campus and across the United States. The week seemed to fall at an appropriate time, following the recent Homecoming activities. I say this because as chairperson of Student Union Board (S.U.B.) I have heard many concerns of the alcohol use of some Avila College students. In the S.U.B. meeting following the Homecoming dance held at the Leawood Country Club, there was a lengthy discussion about the excessive drinking and the resulting problems that seemed to occur that night. We discussed ways of better controlling alcohol abuse at such activities and why it had prevailed at this event.

As I left the meeting that night, I thought about the problem. The one element that I kept thinking of is that S.U.B., as an organization, or any organization, can do as much as possible to curbe the abuse of alcohol at their activities, but it can't control what we do before and after an event. Those actions, our actions come from us and no one can control what we do except us.

This is an issue that bothers me as a student and as a human being. I can't help but wonder

where our minds are when we abuse alcohol. For when we drink excessive amounts of alcohol we only open ourselves to embarrassment, injury, and being responsible for pain inflicted on others because of our drunken state. For instance, more than one student walked into the dance and was under the influence of alcohol. More than likely, they had driven to the dance after drinking alcohol. Therefore, they were endangering the lives of themselves, the people in their car, and other people on the road. There were problems that occurred that have never been an issue at an Avila dance. Much of the conflict could be traced back to the abuse of alcohol.

The irony of this issue is that we, as students, are supposed to be acquiring an education. We all feel that we should be treated as responsible persons. Yet, at times our actions are irresponsible and down right stupid. Are we going to be that stereotyped college student that the movies portray?

Is it too much to ask yourself to consider where you are and how you will get home when you plan to drink? Or would you rather be a part of an irresponsible group of people who doesn't care enough about others to think before they act? You be the judge.

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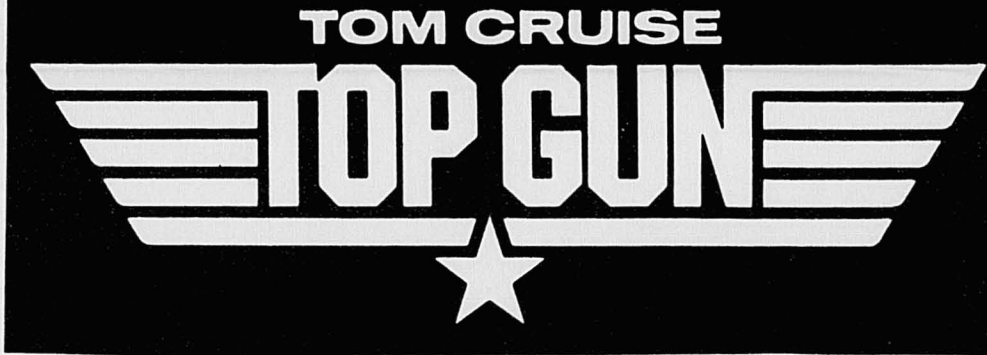
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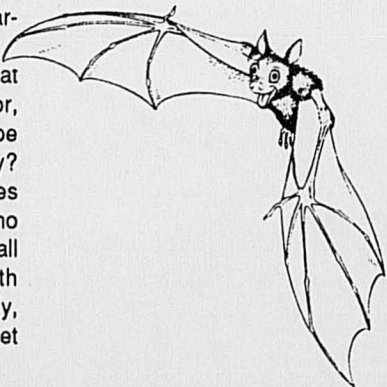
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That's Entertaining

By Eric Sallns and Liz VanNote

HAPPY HALLOWEEN from Liz and Eric!!! Are you thinking about going haunted housing this week-end? If so, we endured two of them this past week-end to give you the scoop on whether or not they're worth your hard earned cash.

The first house of horrors we visited was The Edge of Hell. Located under the 12th Street bridge by Kemper, Eric says that part of town was much scarier than the haunted house itself. To begin our long list of complaints, the price was shockingly high for the chills we didn't experience. Yes folks, \$5.50 per person on Sunday-Thursday nights and \$7.50 per person on Friday and Saturday nights. We don't know about you, but we think this is a high price to pay for spending thirty minutes of stumbling around in the dark.

Well Liz, I really didn't enjoy hiking up flights of stairs only to be confronted with blinding darkness which held no surprises for me. When I go to a haunted house, I want big monsters appearing from nowhere and maniacs with chainsaws chasing me throughout the building. You know Eric, I feel the same way. The hell hole didn't even inspire the fun Halloween spirit in me which I eagerly forked out a small fortune for. I left The Edge of Hell feeling completely disappointed. We both agree, the only redeeming quality of this haunted house was the totally awesome outrageous twisting slide which seemed to send us

both plunging thousands of feet down into the arms of the devil himself. Take our advice, if you want to spend thirty minutes stumbling around in the dark, save yourself some cash and get the same effect by turning out your lights and jumping on your bed!

Misty Darkness located at 1327 Main Street held for us more of what a haunted house should be. Although its price was the same inflated admission fee as The Edge of Hell, we did not feel cheated as we left this one. Gee Eric, I absolutely loved being able to take home my very own souvenir Death Certificate from Misty Darkness. Not only did I get black and blue from the mangled and twisted hallways, but I also felt weak in the knees from running from all those ghoulish creatures. But seriously, I had lots of fun and left with the true Halloween spirit. Yes, I agree with you Liz, the special effects in this haunted house were radical. I especially liked the swinging rope bridge and the maze we had to fumble through. The scary music and the screaming employees really added alot of chills to my haunted house adventure. We both agree Misty Darkness is definitely worth checking out.

Out of at least twenty haunted houses in Kansas City, we have reviewed only two. We recommend that you do some investigating on your own and in the process kopp a thrilling scare.

To Each His Own

Care packages are a thing of the past, in today's college life you need survival kits. Things that are a must to exist in college life. People here at Avila have some pretty logical choices as to what they might put in their survival kits. Examples you say? Here are just a few:

Angie Sullivan: courage, Carmex, and patience.

Diane McLaury: love, friendship, and Lysol.

Krista Kaines: fully stocked refrigerator and sane friends.

Todd Perkins: list of radio stations and a can of pop.

Janet Aguirre: leash for your keys.

Karen Kinney: stereo and fart repellent.

Anne Dempsey: answering machine and hairspray.

Rich Dupis: sleep, sleep and MORE sleep.

Micki Shaw: tolerance and discipline

Chris Koettker: Don Mattingly posters, stickball bat, Adidas thongs.

Some of these things are definitely needed here at Avila, others...well, to each his own.



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The College Students Guide to Eating

By Janet Aguirre

In the life of college students, the word "food" carries three connotations. The first meaning is known nationwide as "fast food." Fast food envelops such tantalizing morsels as cold hamburgers, greasy french fries, and watered down soft drinks. The hamburgers usually taste as if they had been prepared an hour in advance and then abandoned by their suspecting owners. The average college student, however, finds such food to be an improvement over the usual gourmet meals served at the college cafeteria. Thus, the second meaning of the word "food" has been revealed, cafeteria food, often known as unidentifiable fodder. It becomes the pastime of many students to count the ways in which hamberger, or so called hamburger, can be transformed from its original state in a single

week. Monday evening begins the life of the hamburger as a patty. By Tuesday evening it is transformed into ground hamburger for tostadas. The poor hamburger continues to change until it reaches its final stage of metamorphosis—Friday evening meatsauce on spaghetti. If by chance the student survives a week or so of this stomach torture, he or she will be ready to engage in a real meal. The final connotation of "food" is "home-cooked." It is difficult to believe, but at this point the average college student will eat almost anything that its ingredients can be identified at first glance or anything that has been heated only once. Obviously the students prefer the latter meaning of the word "food." For it is the last meaning that is actually food, the previous definitions are only substitutes for the real thing.

Avalanche take the Hardwood

By Ken Dudzik

The 1988-89 Avila College men's basketball squad began their official workouts on October 1st in anticipation of what will hopefully be a successful campaign. The Avalanche have a lot of new faces on this year's team including first year coach Bill Weisbrook. Weisbrook, 25, was formerly an assistant coach at Rockford College in Rockford, Illinois before taking over the head coaching ranks at Avila. Weisbrook received his Bachelors Degree from Eastern Illinois University and his Masters from Northern Iowa University where he also was an assistant coach for the 1986-87 season.

Avila's 15 man roster also has nine new faces including six Freshman. Top returning letterman are Seniors Jeff Stapleton, Darrin Noah, and Craig Bergeron along with Sophomores Kevin Dudzik, Jason Barr, and Steve Neidenbach. Junior transfers David Paul and Seth Norwood will bring a lot of playing experience to the squad. Paul played a year at the Division I level with Eastern Illinois University and Norwood transfers in from Johnson County Community College where he played under the direction of his father. Junior transfer Glen Hughes, 6'7, previously played at Penn Valley Community College

but is presently awaiting a ruling from the NAIA as to his eligibility. Hughes' playing experience also could be a big help to the Avalanche. Six Freshman round out the remainder of the roster and include Julio Andujo, Matt Anderson, Dennis Hallblade, Chris Pickett, Chris Wagner, and Keith Wynne.

Coach Weisbrook is looking forward to the start of the season but admits he doesn't know a whole bunch about District 16, "I have reviewed some films from last year and see that it is a very competitive district, but I will still have to go out and do some early scouting so that our team is fully prepared."

Once again the Avalanche schedule is a tough one including games against rivals Rockhurst, William Jewell, Mid-America, and Drury. The Avalanche must also travel to Central Missouri State this year, which in the past has always been an experience. Avila will host 11 games this year and will also play six of their games at Rockhurst which includes two tournaments. Hopefully this will be a home away from home for them. The season opens up Saturday November 12th at William Jewell. Avila will open their home schedule November 22nd against Baker College at 7:30.

Huddle Group to begin at Avila: Chiefs Players to meet with Athletes

On November 6, Sunday, at 8:00 pm in the snack bar, a new campus organization will be gathering over sodas and snacks to gauge what interest the Avila Community has in the organization.

Fellowship of Christian Athletes was asked by Scott Royal-Ferris, Director of Athletics, to come to campus to introduce the fellowship to our community. Dr. Tom McDonnell is our faculty sponsor

to FCA, which helps promote Christian ideas through their Huddle group program. The Huddle group meets once to twice per month to discuss issues facing today's world and then relates these topics with the Christian ideology.

FCA is known internationally for spreading Christian beliefs through sports. The Huddle group is only one of the many diverse

programs sponsored by FCA.

On November 6 Mr. Paul Hubbard, former All-American Basketball player, Mr. Ron Freeman, former Buffalo Bills and Kansas City Chief player, and Gary Spani, All-Pro from the Kansas City Chiefs, will be in the snack bar at 8:00. Come on by and spend an hour. You will enjoy this introduction to the Fellowship.

Play-Off Hopes Alive

By Jeff Kraus

It has definitely been somewhat of a seesaw soccer season for the Avalanche soccer program. Just as things would start to look good, something would set them back. With the play-offs only two weeks away, the Avalanche is going to have to play some great soccer.

Avila has begun to turn things around for the better. The Avalanche defeated two very strong teams back to back. Back to back wins have been very difficult for the team to accomplish this year. They won a brutal battle in St. Louis over a very physical Lindenwood College. Coach Ferris commented, "They're always tough on their turf." Lindenwood is one of the only two soccer teams Avila faces with an artificial turf field. After that match, a very fit Goshen College traveled twelve hours from Indiana to play the Avalanche. The team changed coach Ferris' record of 0-2 by defeating Goshen 1-0.

Captain Steve Foerstel said, "We needed this win to build up

some steam for the road to the play-offs. If the Avalanche lose another district match, they could easily eliminate themselves from a play-off birth.

The Avalanche are hoping for a fourth place seed out of a pool of eight teams. This would mean their first play-off match would be at home. If they are any lower than the fourth seed, they will be on the road for every play-off match. Scott Anderson explained, "last year we played all our post-season matches at home and it was a definite advantage." Last year the team was seeded first out of six teams, and went on to play in the National Soccer Tournament.

The Avalanche is excited for the rest of the season. Mike Brown exclaimed, "We're the underdog now and I think the team is excited!" With the two wins in a row, the Avalanche has already begun to build up momentum for the play-offs.

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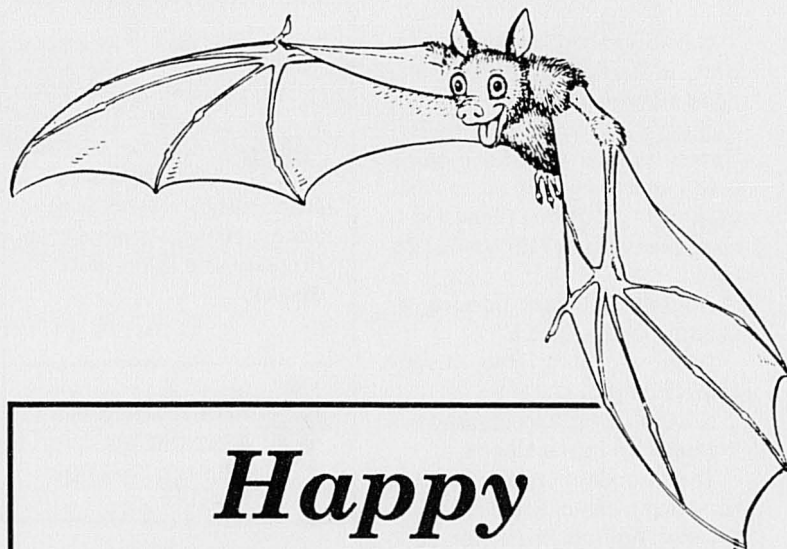
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Happy Halloween!

CLASSIFIED ADS

Hey - we're all half way there!!!

Ang - everything is beginning to be wonderful, wonderful, wonderful!!!

Has anybody seen my touchy-touchy bear?

Lizard - our talk was positive, but I'm glad everything came out negative. Do you know your options?

Rich - you've brought the giggles back into my laughter...Thank you.

D..B.-Alright roomy, if it's a war you want, it's a war you've got! R.T.

The whole department is such a mess!!!

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